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In re Application of

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For:

RECEIVER-DRIER FOR AIR-CONDITIONING SYSTEM AND METHOD OF

MANUFACTURING THE SAME

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria VA 22313-1450

Sir:

By Official Action mailed *April 14, 2004*, restriction to one of the following inventions is required:

Invention I: Claims 1-12, drawn to apparatus of a receiver/drier, classified in class 62, subclass 474.

Invention II: Claims 13-19, drawn to a method of manufacturing a receiver-drier, classified in class 29, subclass 890.05.

In response, Applicants hereby elect *Invention I*, upon which *claims 1-12* are readable.

The election was made with traverse because the Examiner has failed to demonstrate why the hypothetical process, mentioned in paragraph 2 of the Restriction Requirement, can be regarded as a materially different process. Applicants are, therefore, not persuaded that a proper Restriction Requirement has been set forth.

Early examination on the merits is courteously solicited.

To the extent necessary, a petition for an extension of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 is hereby made. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, to Deposit Account 07-1337 and please credit any excess fees to such deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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